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THE *Extract we began to give yesterday of the King of* Spain's Manifesto, *broke off with these Words*, ' [The Spaniards Fears ' of having their Monarchy dismember'd ' were not reasonable, and therefore their ' Proceedings upon those Fears are unjustifiable; The ' Partition projected by France, was far from being so ' certain and so inevitable, as it ought to have ap- ' pear'd to be to excuse their taking so desperate a ' Resolution.] *Which it is necessary to repeat, because of its relation to the following Paragraph.*

FOR, the pretended Partition gave the Dauphin the Kingdoms of Naples and Sicily, with the Spanish Places in Tuscany: Which not only the Emperor, but the Pope and all the Catholick Princes and States would have oppos'd; nay the Protestant Princes of the North, which were dealt with to approve this Treaty, would have no part in it; And all the Empire directly oppos'd a Treaty that gave away the Milaneze and other Imperial Fiefs. Now if the Forces of the Spanish Monarchy had joyn'd with those Potentates that were against this Partition, it would not have been very easie for France to have taken Possession of the Kingdom of Naples and Sicily, and of the Places in Tuscany, whither they could not easily get otherwise than by Sea; whereas the Emperor could have sent Succours thither by Land, because the Milaneze would have espous'd his Interest, and probably the Republick of Venice, the Duke of Savoy, and all the rest of Italy. The English and Dutch would not have assisted the French with any Succours but such as they would have had least need of, that is to say their Fleets; For it is not credible, that to maintain the Partition they would have attack'd Spain, the Low-Countries, or the Empire; nor were they oblig'd to do it by the Treaty. Indeed the Parliament of England would never have consented to the executing that Treaty, no not tho' the King of England had liv'd; for that Treaty appear'd to the English to be contrary to their true Interest, as they plainly declar'd when they were made acquainted with it; And the Court of France it self, which is so enterprizing and has so little Regard either to its own Treaties or Friends, would no doubt have fallen into some Measures that would have absolv'd England and Holland from the Obligation of their Parole, and would even have justly authoriz'd those Potentates to espouse the contrary Party. The very Explanation of the Treaty would have given them sufficient Cause; For the French pretend avow'dly, that what appertains to their King is united and incorporated with their Monarchy. But there was a Clause in that Treaty which was not liable to that Incorporation, for the Kingdoms of Naples and Sicily were given to the Dauphin and his Posterity, Males and Females, so that those Kingdoms could not be incorporated, like other Countries, with France, where Women are not admitted to succeed to the Crown. Yet doubtless if it should ever happen that a Woman should have the Right of Succession to those Kingdoms in prejudice to a King of France, the French would slight that Clause in the Treaty, and insist on their Maxim of Incorporation: So that those Potentates before they had gone about to execute that Treaty, would no doubt have demanded of France a sufficient Security against that Pretence of Incorporation, of which they could not be ignorant, because the French have constantly and avow'dly asserted that Maxim.

There was not therefore the least Shadow of Necessity, that could induce the Kingdoms and Provinces of the Monarchy of Spain to deliver themselves up to a Prince of the Family of Bourbon in Violation of the Emperor's undisputable Right. But the Truth is, the voluntary Reception of the Duke of Anjou for King, which the Partisans of the House of Bourbon would fasten upon the Spaniards, can never be made out. The Will or Desire of Nations does not declare it self out of the Mouths of Magistrates or Regents, but in Assemblies of the Estates of Kingdoms and Provinces. Those therefore that took upon themselves the Title and Office of Regents, ought to have assembled *las Cortes* or Estates, both of Castile and Arragon, before they had taken any Resolution about the Succession. For as we have said, it is universally agreed, that a King has no Right to dispose of his Kingdom by Will; wherefore the Governours or Viceroys of the Low-Countries, the Milaneze, Naples and Sicily, upon the Decease of Charles II. were under a legal Obligation, not only to assemble the Estates of their Governments, to consult what was fit to be done till a Successor was settled in the Throne; and to have had recourse to the Supreme Lords of the Fiefs for their Advice; but were likewise bound to have regard to the Assemblies of the Estates of the Kingdoms of Spain, to have communicated Counsels with them, and in the mean time to have guarded the Country for the right Successor. It is very evident, that if these requisite Formalities had been observ'd, and that the Will of the Estates, and of the Lords of the Fiefs had been consulted and complied with; all Fear of Forreign Arms and Domestick ill Artifices being remov'd, the Right of the House of Austria, which would have continued the Monarchy upon its antient Establishment, had certainly prevail'd. But to the great Astonishment of the whole World, those that sat at the Helm of the Government did nothing of this Nature to inform themselves of the real Sentiments of the People; on the contrary, some Persons of the Cabal at the Court of Spain got themselves nominated Regents in the Pretended Will of the late King: They Proclaim'd the Duke of Anjou, which no body durst oppose, being over-aw'd by the French Faction, and in Apprehension of ill Usage. The Love of Safety and Quiet, and the Fear of a Prevailing Party, had the same Effect in the Provinces subject to Spain. But yet these Irregularities and Violences could neither give Right to one, nor take it from another, nor be construed to be the Will of the People.

But to bring this Point to a plain Test. Let the House of Bourbon, if they dare venture it, render back to the Spaniards their Liberty, and let them be allow'd to choose voluntarily and of their own free

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Will a King to govern them, let them be freed from all apprehenſion of an armed Force, and let the French who are New comers depart Madrid and remove out of Spain, but more eſpecially out of the Low Countries and the Milanez. King Charles III. and his Allies ſhall do the like on their part, and ſhall keep back their Troops. Then let the Election fall upon whom it will.

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